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SUBJECT: CHINESE ACTIVITY IN THE BAHAMAS

REF: TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN RSO AND DS/ICI/CI

Classified By: RSO John V. Kane, Reason 1.5 (c)

- 11. (S/NF) On March 10, 2005, at 1030 hours, TDY Deputy Chief of Mission's Secretary, Shirley Hampton, received a telephone call from Chen Dayu, (DOB: 12AUG1964, Diplomatic Passport Number: D90006400) the Second Secretary, from The Embassy of the People's Republic of China. Chen Dayu indicated he had a gift to give to U.S. Ambassador John Rood. Chen Dayu stated he didn't feel comfortable meeting in the U.S. Embassy and wanted Shirley Hampton to meet with him in the lobby of the Colonial Hilton Hotel, located across the street from the U.S. Embassy, to pick up the gifts.
- 12. (S/NF) At 1040 hours Shirley Hampton met with Chen Dayu in the lobby of the Colonial Hilton Hotel and picked up one bag of gifts. Upon returning to the U.S. Embassy, Shirley Hampton contacted the Regional Security Officer indicting she just met with Chen Dayu in the lobby of the Colonial Hilton Hotel and received a bag of gifts for Ambassador John Rood.

The gifts presented to Ambassador Rood were:

- 1) One box containing four glass figures.
- 2) One box containing two chopsticks.
- 3) One typed note stating:

Your Excellency,

I feel privileged to write you, Sir As you may concern, I am still sad about the departure of my mentor Ambassador Jiao. However, I am glad that and Mr. Jiao have become good friends and you don't have to compete each other anymore. I would like to present to you, Sir, something very unique for your private collection.

Sir, please accept my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

 $\underline{\ }$ 3. (U) All indicated items would be mailed to Patrick Dorminy DS/ICI/CI.

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